## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_.

Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously Filed on

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was flied prior to May 29,2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SRG2) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000) which established RCE practice.

|   |   | i.   | An       | ıendr | nent/Reply               |                   |                 |                       |          |  |  |
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| <ol> <li>ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)</li> </ol> |   |  |          |       |                          |                   |                 |                       |          |  |  |
|   | iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)         |  |          |       |                          |                   |                 |                       |          |  |  |
|   |   | iv.  | ☐ Re     | quest | for Extension of         | Time              |                 |                       |          |  |  |
|   |   | ٧.   | Oti      | ier:  | Declaration under        | r 37 C.F.R. § 1.1 | 32              |                       |          |  |  |
| 3.  | a.<br>b.<br>Fees<br>a.                              | cellaneous  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)  Other:  The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.  Payment in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed.  If payment in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees required by this paper, including the RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e), any extension of time fees (37 C.F.R. §8.1.136 and 1.17) necessary to render the RCE timely, and any suspension fee or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089 |          |       |                          |                   |                 |                       |          |  |  |
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